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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
WESTERN DIVISION – LOS ANGELES

20 Frankel, et al.,

Case No. 2:24-CV-4702-MCS

Plaintiffs,

**JOINT STATUS REPORT  
REGARDING MEDIATION &  
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME**

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24 Regents of the University of  
California, et al..

Judge: Hon. Mark C. Scarsi  
Courtroom: 7C

25 Defendants.

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1 **TO THE COURT:**

2 Plaintiffs Yitzchok Frankel; Joshua Ghayoum; Eden Shemuelian; and Dr.  
3 Kamran Shamsa (“Plaintiffs”) and Defendants The Regents of the University of  
4 California; Michael V. Drake; Julio Frenk; Darnell Hunt; Michael Beck; Monroe  
5 Gorden, Jr.; and Steve Lurie (“Defendants”) (collectively, the “Parties”) hereby  
6 submit this Joint Status Report Regarding Mediation & Request for Extension of  
7 Time.

8 On May 27, 2025, this Court issued a Minute Order (Dkt. 175) directing the  
9 Parties to submit a status report as to the outcome of mediation efforts by June 30,  
10 2025. As of June 30, 2025, the Parties are still engaged in ongoing settlement  
11 discussions with Magistrate Judge Maria A. Audero. In light of these ongoing  
12 discussions, and at Judge Audero’s direction, the Parties respectfully request that  
13 this Court extend the deadline for submitting this mediation report from June 30,  
14 2025 to July 3, 2025. The Parties have filed a Proposed Order to that effect  
15 concurrently herewith.

16 Dated: June 30, 2025

17 Respectfully submitted,

18 By: /s/ Matthew R. Cowan  
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## **SIGNATURE ATTESTATION**

Pursuant to Local Rule 5-4.3.4, I hereby attest that the other signature listed, on whose behalf the filing is submitted, concur in the filing's content and have authorized the filing.

Dated: June 30, 2025

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